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LIBELING TEXAS.

According to the Washington Post a ranchman from Sabine, Texas, was greatly surprised to see a Chinaman riding a wheel on one of the avenues of the Capital City and the picture was so ludicrous that he burst into uproarious laughter.

Just why it should prove any more surprising or hilariously funny to see a bicycle ridden by a Chinaman than if he were a Frenchman or an Englishman, unless it might be because of his peculiar oriental costume, is not stated, nor is it even mentioned that there was anything peculiar about the Chinaman's appearance, except that he was on a wheel.

There is, however, something very peculiar about the statement of the Sabine ranchman in connection with the incident and the impression it made upon his mind. The visitor from Sabine is quoted as saying: "If a cowpuncher down in my section were to see a Chinaman astraddle one of those new fangled arrangements that are simply paralyzing the horse industry, it would be a bad day for the Mongolian. The boys are not very fond of the wheel down there at best, and the combination of Chinaman and wheel would be entirely too much for them to stand. There would be a shooting bee on the spot."

Either this statement is a libel on the section of the State in which the Sabine ranchman claims to have his residence or it is much to the discredit of that locality. It is most probably a bit of foolish extravagance indulged in by a man who, though claiming his home in Texas, has not yet lived here long enough to be cured of the notion that cowboys ride through the streets of the cities and towns armed to the teeth, and ready to shoot at anything and everything that strikes them as peculiar, whether it be a "stove-pipe," hat or a Chinaman on a wheel. Stories of this sort have been so much in vogue in the North that some of the gullible people in that section are disposed to regard all Texans as cowboys of the wild and woolly character described in flash literature and the civilization "down there" as of the most primitive kind.

As a matter of fact the bicycle is no more of a curiosity nor is less favor in Texas than it is in any of the Northern States, and the Texas cowboy is no more lawless and given to

shooting bees" (a term that belongs to a far more Northern latitude than Texas) than are the people of the communities with which the Sabine ranchman is probably very much more familiar than he is with that from which he claims to hail. It is high time there were an end to the libels on Texas citizens, customs and manners implied in statements such as that made to the Washington Post, which, though intended to be funny, are taken seriously by people who do not know any better and are therefore misleading and harmful—San Antonio Express.

THE riot which was feared at Hazelton last Tuesday upon the occasion of the burial of the slaughtered miners did not occur, the dead being laid away in peace. Yet, though seemingly quiet, there is no doubt that a fire of resentment is smoldering in the breasts of the strikers that needs but a breath to start a fierce conflagration. Anarchy has without doubt grown much stronger in the United States within the past week. There seems great danger, unless the differences between the operators and the strikers be speedily settled, that some fierce outbreak may occur in which many lives will be lost and much property be destroyed. A repetition of the Homestead horrors should be warded off if possible.

THE republican administration claims credit for the increased price of wheat though caused by the famine and crop failure in foreign countries. Will it likewise shoulder the responsibility for the decrease in southern trade caused by outbreak of yellow fever?

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CITY ORDINANCE

Regulating the Cleaning of Streets and Alleys.

Ordinance to provide for the cleaning of streets and sidewalks and adjoining premises.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Brownsville:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to deposit or throw into the streets, avenues, public or private grounds of the city, any dead animals, meat or flesh of any kind, bones, vegetables, seeds, washings or slops or bottles, pieces of glass, ashes, offals, droppings of animals or filth of any kind, or to in any way obstruct the drainage of the gutters or streets; and any person so offending shall upon conviction be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars.

Section 2. That it shall be the duty of all persons to keep all weeds, filth, or any kind of rubbish from the sidewalk and gutters in front of their premises; and it shall be their duty to have all yards, enclosures, sinks, stables and pens belonging to their premises kept thoroughly cleaned and free from weeds, dead animals, carrion, or filth, and the sweepings from the yards and kitchens shall be deposited in tubs, barrels or boxes in the alley to the rear of such premises before 10 o'clock a. m. to be carried off in scavenger carts, and the owners and keepers of stables and pens for animals shall thoroughly cleanse the same, and at their own expense carry away all the dirt and filth, thrice a week. Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall upon conviction be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars;

Section 3. That it shall be duty of the Mayor to prescribe all additional and necessary rules and regulations for the thorough cleaning of all the precincts of the City, and may by and with the advice and consent of the City Council employ, by contract or otherwise, street sweepers and scavengers, who shall under the direction of the City Marshal, thoroughly sweep and clean all the streets, alleys, lanes, avenues, public grounds and highways and all unoccupied and vacant lots and premises required to be kept clean;

Section 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances which conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed;

Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its publication as required by law.

Adopted in open session September 8th, 1890.

Approved Sept. 9th, 1890.

THOMAS CARSON

Mayor.

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